

# Memorandum



**Date:** October 19, 2004

Agenda Item No. 7(O)(1)(B)

**To:** Honorable Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed. D.  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**From:** George M. Burgess  
County Manager

**Subject:** Bid Award Recommendations

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached award of competitive bids, a rejection of bid, competitive contract modifications, award of competitively bid contracts of other governmental entities, requests to advertise for bids and authority to exercise future option-to-new. The allocations shown represent the maximum authorized spending authority based on an estimated value of purchases, and in no way guarantee the value of orders placed with the awarded vendors.

## **BACKGROUND**

### **Section 1 AWARD OF COMPETITIVE BIDS**

All contracts in this section are recommended for award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder(s) who meet the bid specifications in accordance with established policies and procedures. Bid announcements were advertised on the DPM website and in four local newspapers: Diario Las Americas, Haiti En Marche, Miami Times and Daily Business Review. The following awards are recommended:

Award of Item 1.1 (Liquid Chlorine) is to establish a replacement contract for the purchase of liquid chlorine in one ton and 150 pound cylinders used for waste water treatment.

Award of Item 1.2 (Food Catering Services, Headstart Program) is to establish a replacement contract to provide and deliver meals for infants, children, toddlers and adults for the Headstart Program.

Award of Item 1.3 (Tire Leasing and Vehicle Tire Services) is to establish a replacement contract for tire leasing services that will provide prompt and efficient service to buses, mini buses and service vehicles owned by Transit on a mileage basis.

Award of Item 1.4 (Liquid Ferric Sulfate) is to establish a contract for the purchase of ferric sulfate in an 18% solution for use in potable water treatment.

Award of Item 1.5 (Liquid Caustic Soda) is to establish a replacement contract for the purchase of liquid caustic soda, a solution of anhydrous sodium hydroxide and water for use in potable water treatment.

**Section 2 REJECTED BIDS**

None

**Section 3 COMPETITIVE CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS**

A competitive contract modification is when the requested supplemental allocation for goods or services is within the scope of the original contract award and allocation.

Item 3.1 (Frozen Foods) is for additional spending authority to continue to purchase frozen foods until the replacement contract is awarded.

Item 3.2 (Groceries) is for additional spending authority to continue to purchase groceries until the replacement contract is awarded.

**Section 4 PURCHASES MADE UNDER COMPETITIVELY AWARDED CONTRACTS OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**

The County occasionally accesses items from contracts competed and awarded by federal, state and local governments, and by not-for-profit organizations, when it is determined to be in the best interest of the County and the item is not available through an existing County contract.

Item 4.1 (Telecommunication Equipment – PBX) to allow ETSD, Fire and MDPD to continue to access this State of Florida contract to support the day to day telecommunication needs of the County.

**Section 5 REQUESTS TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS**

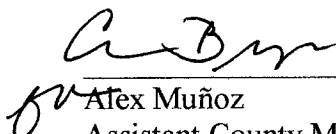
The solicitations listed in this Section require approval to advertise to solicit bids under full and open competition.

Item 5.1 (Service Station Equipment Maintenance and Repair)

**Section 6 REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE AND AWARD THE FORMATION OF CONTRACT POOLS OF PRE-QUALIFIED VENDORS**

The solicitations listed in this Section require approval to advertise and to award the formation of contract pools of pre-qualified vendors under full and open competition. The award of actual work or purchase orders takes place after the formation of the contract pool using a competitive process among the pre-qualified pool members for each specific requirement.

None

  
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Alex Muñoz  
Assistant County Manager



# MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

**TO:** Hon. Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D.  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** October 19, 2004

**FROM:** Robert A. Ginsburg  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 7(O)(1)(B)

Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- ☐ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- ☒ No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Agenda Item No. 7(O)(1)(B)

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

10-19-04

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMPETITIVE CONTRACT  
MODIFICATIONS AND REQUESTS TO ADVERTISE FOR  
BIDS AND TO EXECUTE OPTIONS TO RENEW  
ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF  
COMMODITIES AND SERVICES

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, a description of the competitive contract modifications and requests to advertise for bids are attached and incorporated herein by reference,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board authorizes the competitive contract modifications and requests to advertise for bids and to execute options to renew established thereunder for the purchase of commodities and services.

Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson

Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson

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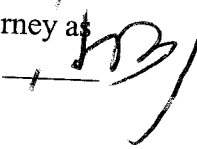
Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 19th day of October, 2004. This Resolution and contract, if not vetoed, shall become effective in accordance with Resolution No. R-377-04. By exemption, Sub item 1.3, Tire Leasing and Vehicle Tire Services, is subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of section 29-124 of the County Code which specifies "no award shall be effective and no contractual relationship shall arise with the county unless and until approved by the [Citizen's Independent Transportation] Trust or re-affirmed by the County Commission."

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
ITS BOARD OF COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by the County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency. 

Hugo Benitez

**SECTION # 1**  
**AWARD OF COMPETITIVE BIDS**

It is recommended that the following items solicited through formal competitive bidding procedures, be awarded to the following bidder(s) meeting specifications as follows:

**1.1**

**BID NUMBER:** 0507-4/09-OTR

**Title:** Liquid Chlorine

**Description:** To establish a replacement contract for the purchase of liquid chlorine in one ton and 150 pound cylinders used for waste water treatment.

**Department(s):** **Allocation(s):**  
WASD \$1,500,000.00

**Term of Contract:** One year

**Option(s) to Renew:** Four one-year options to renew

**Number of Bid  
Announcements Issued  
(including electronic):** Thirty-one

**Number of Bid  
Packages Sold:** None

**Number of Bid Packages  
Downloaded:** Thirteen

**Number of Bids  
Received:** Three

**Special Conditions:** Insurance

**Advertisement Date:** June 15, 2004

**Living Wage:** Not applicable; no services contemplated.

Method of Award: To the low responsive, responsible bidder, on an item-by-item basis, for each of the two items.

Vendor(s): Allied Universal Corp.

Estimated Contract Usage: One year: \$1,500,000.00

Previous Contract Usage: One year: \$ 835,142.00

Comments: Authorization is requested to award the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the solicitation document (ITB).

This bid solicitation was not presented to the Board for approval to advertise since the estimated dollar allocation established by the user department for the new contract was less than \$1,000,000 based on the contract currently in place. As such, the item was approved administratively for advertisement because it was within the delegated authority. However, the department's anticipated usage of the product subsequently increased, and market prices also increased, resulting in a dollar allocation that now exceeds \$1,000,000.

Approval to advertise this competitive bid, as well as approval to award, therefore, are requested simultaneously at this time.

The companies that can meet the County's requirements are limited due to our southern location in the state and due to the large number of rules and regulations that govern the storage, sale and the manner under which the product is transported.

The bid was advertised on the County/DPM website and in four local newspapers: Diario Las Americas; Miami Times; Daily Business Review; and Haiti En Marche.

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## 1.2

**BID NUMBER:** 0688-4/09-OTR

Title: Food Catering Services, Headstart Program

Description: To establish a replacement contract to provide and deliver meals for infants, children, toddlers and adults for the Headstart Program.

Department(s): CAA      Allocation(s): \$1,900,000.00

Term of Contract: One year

Option(s) to Renew: Four one-year options to renew

Number of Bid Announcements Issued (including electronic): Eleven; only State certified vendors were notified.

Number of Bid Packages Sold: One

Number of Bid Packages Downloaded: None

Number of Bids Received: One

Special Conditions: Insurance

Advertisement Date: May 25, 2004

Living Wage: The services to be provided are a "covered service" under the ordinance and the Living Wage is included in the specifications.

Method of Award: To the low responsive, responsible bidder, for all fourteen items in the aggregate.

Vendor(s): Greater Miami Caterers, Inc.

Estimated Contract Usage: One year: \$1,900,000.00

Previous Contract Usage: One year: \$1,760,700.00

Comments:

Authorization is requested to award the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the solicitation document (ITB).

The estimated contract usage has increased due to an increased number of locations served by the Headstart Program.

This contract is federally funded with stringent requirements established by the State of Florida under its Department of Child Care Food Program guidelines. Only the eleven vendors that are State certified were officially notified and could be considered for award. One vendor responded to the solicitation.

The bid was advertised on the County/DPM website and in four local newspapers: Diario Las Americas; Miami Times; Daily Business Review; and Haiti En Marche.

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### 1.3

**BID NUMBER:** 7400-0/08

Title: Tire Leasing and Vehicle Tire Services

Description: To establish a replacement contract for tire leasing services that will provide prompt and efficient service to buses, mini buses and service vehicles owned by Transit on a mileage basis.

Department(s): Allocation(s):  
MDT \$19,000,000.00

Term of Contract: Five years

Option(s) to Renew: None

Number of Bid Announcements Issued (including electronic): Forty

Number of Bid Packages Sold: Three

Number of Bid Packages Downloaded: Twenty-nine

Number of Bids Received: One

Special Conditions: Insurance and performance bond

Advertisement Date: July 22, 2003

Living Wage: Not applicable; the services to be provided are not a "covered service" under the ordinance.

Method of Award: To the low responsive, responsible bidder by group for  
**Groups I through X.**  
**Group I** 40' Bus, Standard Floor  
**Group II** 40' Bus, Mobile Command Center  
**Group III** 60' Bus, Articulated  
**Group IV** 40' Bus, Low Floor  
**Group V** 32' or under Minibus, Standard Floor  
**Group VI** 32' or under Minibus, Low Floor

**Group VII Coach, over the road**  
**Group VIII Service Vehicles**  
**Group IX Cost for Vehicle Tire Service**  
**Group X Wheel Rim Stripping and Repairing**

Vendor(s): Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co.

Estimated Contract Usage: Five years: \$19,000,000.00

Previous Contract Usage: Five years: \$ 9,200,000.00

Comments: Authorization is requested to award the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the solicitation document (ITB).

To support the People's Transportation Plan, the fleet is operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; mileage has increased from approximately 26 to 40 million miles per year; and the Metrobus Fleet will double over the life of the contract, resulting in an increase in the estimated contract usage when compared to the previous contract.

Forty companies in the industry were notified of the opportunity to bid, including Bridgestone, Firestone, Michelin and Martino Tire Company. Only one bid was received due to the magnitude of the services to be provided, including thirteen tire service technicians and one supervisor to be assigned to three or more different facilities around the County, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The Department of Procurement Management and Transit engaged in negotiations with the single bidder, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, and obtained the following:

- A 2% discount on the proposed tire pricing,
- Implementation of a new tire technology at no additional cost,
- The opportunity to re-negotiate prices if raw material pricing indexes in the rubber industry take a downward cycle turn a 12 month period, and
- Credit to the County for tires exceeding the estimated tire life

Tires already purchased by the County may, at the County's sole discretion, be maintained under the "tire services" feature of the contract. The number of tires to be furnished shall be sufficient to keep all buses, minibuses and service vehicles fully equipped and to provide a reserve supply to be mounted on wheel rims and stored in MDT owned facilities or any other bus maintenance facility providing service to MDT as may be required.

Proceeds from the Charter County Transit System Sales Surtax levied pursuant to Section 29.121 of the Code of Miami-Dade County may be used to pay for part of the costs of this contract.

The bid was advertised on the County/DPM website and in four local newspapers: Diario Las Americas; Miami Times; Daily Business Review; and Haiti En Marche.

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#### 1.4

**BID NUMBER:** 7565-3/09-OTR

Title: Liquid Ferric Sulfate

Description: To establish a contract for the purchase of liquid ferric sulfate in an 18% solution for use in potable water treatment.

Department(s): Allocation(s):  
WASD \$3,132,000.00

Term of Contract: Two years

Option(s) to Renew: Three one-year options to renew

Number of Bid  
Announcements Issued  
(including electronic): Thirty-two

Number of Bid  
Packages Sold: None

Number of Bid Packages  
Downloaded: Nineteen

Number of Bids  
Received: Two

Special Conditions: Insurance

Advertisement Date: February 17, 2004

Living Wage: Not applicable; no services contemplated.

Method of Award: To the low responsive, responsible bidder for a single item.

Vendor(s): Kemiron, Inc.

Estimated Contract Usage: Two years: \$3,132,000.00

Previous Contract Usage: Not applicable (this is the first bid for liquid ferric sulfate).

Comments:

Authorization is requested to award the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the solicitation document (ITB).

Liquid ferric sulfate is a new chemical being added to the processing of water. It is a coagulant used in the water treatment process to minimize the preference of unwanted contaminants and reduce the volume of insoluble materials.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) 1996 Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) amendments presented more stringent drinking water standards. DEP requested that the Water & Sewer Department upgrade the water treatment process relative to disinfectant/disinfection by-products to minimize the presence of unwanted contaminants and reduce the volume of insoluble materials. The use of liquid ferric sulfate is a necessary element in this improved process.

The bid was advertised on the County/DPM website and in four local newspapers: Diario Las Americas; Miami Times; Daily Business Review; and Haiti En Marche.

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1.5

**BID NUMBER:** 7573-2/08-OTR

Title: Liquid Caustic Soda

Description: To establish a replacement contract for the purchase of liquid caustic soda, a solution of anhydrous sodium hydroxide and water for use in potable water treatment.

<u>Department(s):</u>	<u>Allocation(s):</u>
Solid Waste Mgmt.	\$ 126,000.00
WASD	<u>\$4,045,040.00</u>
	\$4,171,040.00

Term of Contract: Two years

Option(s) to Renew: Two one-year options to renew

Number of Bid  
Announcements Issued  
(including electronic): Thirteen

Number of Bid  
Packages Sold: None

Number of Bid Packages  
Downloaded: Thirteen

Number of Bids  
Received: Three

Special Conditions: Insurance

Advertisement Date: February 24, 2004

Living Wage: Not applicable; no services contemplated.

Method of Award: To the low responsive, responsible bidder for a single item.

Vendor(s): Allied Universal Corp. d/b/a Allied Chlorine & Chemical

Estimated Contract Usage: Two years: \$4,171,040.00

Previous Contract Usage: One year: \$ 186,814.75

Comments:

Authorization is requested to award the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the solicitation document (ITB).

The increase in the estimated contract usage from 101,000 gallons to 2.4 million gallons per year compared to the previous contract is due to the fact that the Water and Sewer Department has begun to use liquid caustic soda in drinking water for the first time in accordance with federal requirements. Until now, the Solid Waste Management Department was the sole user of this product, for waste water only. The unit price, however, has dropped from \$1.03 to \$.8423 per gallon.

The previous contract covered a one-year period; this contract is for two years.

The Department of Procurement Management sent notices of this solicitation to thirteen vendors of which three submitted bids. The chemical must be delivered every 48 hours in truckloads. Due to its corrosive nature, the Water and Sewer Department does not store the chemical on-site.

The bid was advertised on the County/DPM website and in four local newspapers: Diario Las Americas; Miami Times; Daily Business Review; and Haiti En Marche.

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**SECTION #2**  
**REJECTED BIDS**

None

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**SECTION #3**  
**CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS**

**3.1**

**BID NUMBER:** 2834-3/03-3

**Title:** Frozen Foods

<u>Department(s):</u>	<u>Existing Allocation(s):</u>	<u>Additional Allocation(s):</u>	<u>Modified Allocation(s):</u>
Corrections & Rehab.	\$3,950,000.00	\$1,341,700.00	\$5,291,700.00
Human Services	\$ 183,750.00	\$ 65,200.00	\$ 248,950.00
Park & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -0-	\$ 25,000.00

Unallocated Funds:	\$ 975.00	\$ -0-	\$ 975.00
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**Existing Vendor(s):** Cheney Brothers, Inc.; Don Greene Poultry, Inc.; Henry Lee Co. d/b/a Smart & Final Foodservice Florida; McKee Foods Corporation; Prawn Seafoods, Inc. d/b/a Sunset Foods; Rosa Brothers, Inc.; Savon Foods, Inc.; Swiss Chalet Fine Foods, Inc.; Sysco Food Services of South Florida, Inc.

**Type of Change:** Increase in spending authority

**Existing Allocation:** \$4,159,725.00

**Increase By:** \$1,406,900.00

**Modified Allocation:** \$5,566,625.00

**Current Expiration:** December 31, 2004

**Modified Expiration:** Same

**Reason for Change:** Authorization is requested for additional spending authority under the existing "pool" contract to continue to purchase frozen foods for the three user departments until the replacement contract is awarded.

The Departments of Corrections & Rehabilitation and Procurement Management conducted additional market research to improve the quality of the technical specifications to foster increased participation in the new contract. This delayed the issuance of the

replacement bid solicitation which was advertised in early September.

This pool contract of pre-qualified vendors allows for the purchase of frozen foods such as chicken breasts, veal cutlets, turkey wings, eggs, frozen cookie dough, cheese, mixed vegetables and french fried potatoes. The pre-qualified vendors quote a fixed price every three months on a "spot market" basis for successive three-month periods of contract performance. Award for each period is made on an item-by-item basis at the lowest fixed price. We continue to obtain competitive "spot market" market prices under the current contract.

The primary user of the contract is the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation in the preparation of food for inmates.

Also, the recent dissolution of MIA Consulting Group, Inc. has impacted service delivery at the Helen Sawyer Assisted Living Facility. To avoid undue hardship and to continue the services at this facility without interruption, the Human Services Department has assumed responsibility for the administrative operations of the facility including the provision of meals.

The present allocation will fund the proration of the current six month extension from July 1 through December 31, 2004 in the amount of \$1,406,900 that could not be funded under DPM's delegated authority.

It is anticipated that the replacement contract will be approved and in place not later than January 1, 2005.

Target date for new  
contract to be in place: January 1, 2005

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### 3.2

**BID NUMBER:** 6083-3/03-3

**Title:** Groceries

<u>Department(s):</u>	<u>Existing Allocation(s):</u>	<u>Additional Allocation(s):</u>	<u>Modified Allocation(s):</u>
Corrections & Rehab.	\$3,043,750.00	\$1,004,000.00	\$4,047,750.00
Human Services	\$ 266,750.00	\$ 163,000.00	\$ 429,750.00
Park & Recreation	\$ 25,000.00	\$ -0-	\$ 25,000.00
Solid Waste Mgmt.	\$ 60,835.00	\$ -0-	\$ 60,835.00

Unallocated Funds:	\$ 815.00	\$ -0-	\$ 815.00
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**Existing Vendor(s):** Cheney Brothers, Inc; Florida Association of Rehab. Fac, Inc.; Henry Lee Co.; International Foods & Confections; McKee Foods Corp.; Prawn Seafoods, Inc.; Rosa Brothers, Inc.; Savon Foods, Inc.; Swiss Chalet Fine Foods, Inc.; Sysco Food Services of South Florida, Inc.

**Type of Change:** Increase in spending authority.

**Existing Allocation:** \$3,397,150.00

**Increase By:** \$1,167,000.00

**Modified Allocation:** \$4,564,150.00

**Current Expiration:** December 31, 2004

**Modified Expiration:** Same

**Reason for Change:** Authorization is requested for additional spending authority under the existing "pool" contract to continue to purchase groceries until the replacement contract is awarded.

The Departments of Corrections & Rehabilitation and Procurement Management conducted additional market research to improve the quality of the technical specifications to foster participation in the new contract. This delayed the issuance of the replacement bid solicitation which was advertised in early September.

This pool contract of pre-qualified vendors allows for the purchase of black beans, flour, powdered milk, cereal, dressings, seasonings, condiments, cookie and snacks. The pre-qualified vendors quote a fixed price every three months on a "spot market" basis for successive three-month periods of contract performance. Award for each period is made on an item-by-item basis at the lowest fixed price. We continue to obtain competitive, "spot market" prices under the current contract.

The primary user of the contract is the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation in the preparation of food for inmates.

Also, the recent dissolution of MIA Consulting Group, Inc. has impacted service delivery at the Helen Sawyer Assisted Living Facility. To avoid undue hardship and to continue the services at this facility without interruption, the Human Services Department has assumed responsibility for the administrative operations of the facility including the provision of meals.

The present allocation will fund the proration of the current six month extension from July 1 through December 31, 2004 in the amount of \$1,167,000 that could not be funded under DPM's delegated authority.

It is anticipated that the replacement contract will be approved and in place not later than January 1, 2005.

Target date for new  
contract to be in place: January 1, 2005.

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**SECTION # 4**  
**PURCHASES MADE UNDER COMPETITIVELY AWARDED CONTRACTS OF**  
**OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES**

**4.1**

**BID NUMBER:** 730-650-99-1

Government Agency: State of Florida

Title: Telecommunication Equipment – PBX

Description: To purchase Private Branch Exchange telephone equipment and services, primarily in support of existing platforms.

<u>Department(s):</u>	<u>Existing Allocation(s):</u>	<u>Additional Allocation(s):</u>	<u>Modified Allocation(s):</u>
DERM	\$ 47,659.00	\$ -0-	\$ 47,659.00
ETSD	\$11,700,300.10	\$850,000.00	\$12,550,300.10
Fire	\$ 2,076,755.48	\$300,000.00	\$ 2,376,755.48
MDPD	\$ 28,595.02	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 53,595.02
MDT	\$ 59,573.00	\$ -0-	\$ 59,573.00
SFETC	\$ 65,530.00	\$ -0-	\$ 65,530.00

Unallocated Funds: \$ -0- \$ -0- \$ -0-

Vendor(s): Avaya, Inc.; Siemens Building Technologies, Inc.; United Telephone Company of Florida d/b/a Sprint/United Telephone of Florida

Type of Change: Increase in spending authority

Existing Allocation: \$13,978,412.60

Increase Contract  
Value By: \$ 1,175,000.00

Modified Allocation: \$15,153,412.60

Current Expiration: February 16, 2005

Modified Expiration: Same

Reason for Change:

Authorization is requested for additional spending authority to allow ETSD, Fire and MDPD to continue to access this State of Florida contract to support the day to day telecommunication needs of the County.

In early 2004, in conjunction with the State's extension of the contract through February 16, 2005, the Department of Procurement Management prorated the existing allocation to match the extension period. However, the prorated allocation is insufficient to support all pending anticipated acquisitions, which include new projects and the daily maintenance of existing systems.

During the current term, ETSD has utilized the contract in support of the existing base of Siemens and Avaya brand equipment, with major upgrades at Fire and MDT, as well as the recent acquisition of an Interactive Voice Response system for the Tax Collector. With respect to major projects, the additional allocation is required to support the planned communications upgrade for the Elections Department, and potentially the replacement of the "e911" telephone system for the Police and Fire Departments. Other planned projects requiring additional allocation include the State Attorney's Office new voice mail system and renovation of the telephone system at the South Dade Government Center.

Miami-Dade Fire Rescue (MDFR) has also identified additional telecommunication network upgrades which need to be implemented to enhance and improve the emergency systems. MDFR continues to leverage past investments in its internal telephone system infrastructure by assuring the capability to interconnect Fire Headquarters and the county's Emergency Operations Center directly with the Department's command post operations through the most cost-effective, manageable and functional routes for voice traffic during emergency management activities.

This is a "pool" contract of pre-qualified vendors that are required to compete and quote prices on a spot market basis. A detailed "roadmap" on how to obtain the most favorable competition is provided by DPM to the user departments and has proven to be very effective in securing competitive market prices under this contract for the County.

**SECTION # 5**  
**REQUESTS TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS**

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the issuance and advertisement of the items listed in this agenda package in order to solicit bids under full and open competition for the following contracts:

**5.1**

**REQUISITION**  
**NUMBER:**

RQPM0400253

Title: Service Station Equipment Maintenance and Repair

Description: To establish a contract for the purchase of equipment, installation, testing, maintenance and repairs for service stations and petroleum and fuel storage facilities.

<u>Department(s):</u>	<u>Estimated Allocation(s):</u>
Aviation	\$ 50,000.00
Fire	\$ 162,000.00
GSA	\$4,000,000.00
MDT	\$ 600,000.00
Park & Recreation	\$ 100,000.00
Seaport	\$ 74,000.00
WASD	<u>\$ 740,000.00</u>
	\$5,726,000.00

Term of Contract: One year

Option(s) to Renew: Four one-year options to renew

Living Wage: Not applicable, the services to be provided are not a "covered service" under the ordinance.

Planned Method of Award: **Section A –Medium, Large and Multi-function Jobs:**  
Pre-qualification of bidders who meet the minimum requirements specified in the bid documents and who will then form a pool and be invited to compete and quote a price for each service when identified by the user department. When a work order is identified, the department will solicit price quotations from all the vendors. Award will be made to the low responsive, responsible bidder.

**Section B – Emergency Service and Small Repair Jobs including Parts:**

Pre-qualification of the seven responsive, responsible bidders who offer the lowest hourly labor rate and who meet the criteria in **Section A** and who will form a pool and be invited to compete and quote a price for each service when identified by the user department. When a work order is identified, the department will solicit price quotations from all the seven vendors. Award will be made to the low responsive, responsible bidder.

There is no guarantee that the pre-qualified vendors will be awarded a purchase order.

Additional vendors will be added to the pool under **Section A** who meet the minimum qualifications of the bid documents and the County's administrative requirements.

Estimated Advertisement Date:	Ten days after adopted by the BCC, unless vetoed by the Mayor.
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**SECTION # 6**  
**REQUESTS FOR APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE AND AWARD THE FORMATION OF**  
**CONTRACT POOLS OF PRE-QUALIFIED VENDORS**

None

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